Thank you for purchasing The House of the Dead™ 2! Please note that this software is designed only for use with the Dreamcast console. Be sure to read this instruction manual thoroughly before you start playing The House of the Dead™ 2.

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The House of the Dead <sup>TM</sup> 2 is a memory card compatible game [Visual Memory Unit (VMU) sold separately]. Seven blocks of free space are required to save a game file. Note that because saving occurs automatically, never turn OFF the Dreamcast power, remove the memory card unit or disconnect the controller during game play.

ARCADE MODE: After name entry
ORIGINAL MODE: After the game ends
TRAINING MODE: When you finish the game

BOSS MODE: When you finish the game OPTIONS: After changing the settings

All characters are fictional, and any resemblance to actual persons, living or dead, is purely coincidental.

# THE STORY

CHARACTER INTRODUCTIONS

December 18th, 1998
"The Curien Mansion Incident"

There was nothing else that could have been done to prevent that loathsome disaster . . .

February 26th, 2000
The world is in chaos.
The prelude . . .
A new plot is unfolding in a town where the last vestiges of the Middle Ages still linger.
A new tragedy unfolds . . .

# **James Taylor**

A special agent of the government agency "AMS." 35 years old. American. His conduct is cool and logical. He never relies on intuition and guesswork. He handles whatever he faces with the utmost of calmness and clarity. Devoid of excessive emotion, Taylor has an almost computer-like mind. Accordingly he is often dispatched to scenes of immense difficulty and utter confusion.

# **Gary Stewart**

A special agent of the government agency "AMS." 24 years old. American. A warm-hearted youth, yet to discover the world's sheer disorder. Whatever he comes up against, his approach is passionate and emotional. He was assigned to "AMS" one year ago. Despite a lack of experience, Gary puts all of his effort into his work. But sometimes he is reckless in his actions, and this worries James.

AMS special agents James and Gary are ready for action. But what are they waiting for . . .?
And what does the mysterious Goldman really want . . .?

▲The Curien Mansion Incident lasted for three days from December 18th - 20th, 1998. It was an event orchestrated by Dr. Curien to destroy mankind. AMS special agents Rogan and G were able to stem this incident, but because of the Government's large role in it, the Curien Mansion Incident has yet to be officially announced.



# **Amy Crystal**

A special agent of the government agency "AMS." 29 years old. American. A reliable character, who has faced danger on many occasions, Amy is an open, frank, kind woman who never discriminates. She often behaves like a big sister to Gary, and has not yet accepted him fully as a special agent.

# **Harry Harris**

A special agent of the government agency "AMS." Harry is either in his late thirties or early forties. No one knows his nationality. He does not speak about his past. He always seems gloomy. He habitually wears dark glasses, and never shows his expressions.

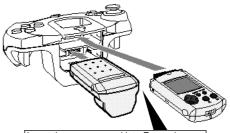
# Goldman

Goldman is in his early forties, and heads a world famous, distinguished financial group. Using his own substantial financial power, he is actively involved in human genome research. Goldman will soon report the results of his latest research, but none of his projects has ever been officially approved. He has an incredibly cool and intelligent appearance, but inside he is extremely anxious about the future of the natural world and the very existence of the human race.

# STARTING UP

### THE JUMP PACK™

Make sure that you insert the Jump Pack (sold separately) into Expansion Socket 2 of the Controller. The Jump Pack does not lock into place when inserted into Expansion Socket 1, and may fall out during game play, causing problems with game operation.



Insert the memory card into Expansion Socket 1 of the Dreamcast Controller, and the Jump Pack into Expansion Socket 2.

▲ For further details, also read the Jump Pack Instruction Manual.

# GAME CONTROLS

START BUTTON

This is a one or two player game. For a one player game, use either Control Port A or B, and for a two player game, use both Control Ports A and B. You can use a Controller with inserted VMU in any of the Ports to save the game.

# ANALOG THUMB PAD D-PAD TRIGGER B TRIGGER L

▲ Do not touch the Analog Thumb Pad, or the Triggers while turning the Dreamcast power ON. Doing so may disrupt the controller initialization procedure and result in malfunction.

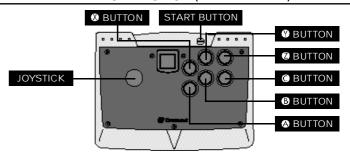
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| ▲ ▼:MENU SELECTION<br>◆■:CHANGE | D-PAD/ANALOG THUMB PAD | AIMING CONTROLS     |
| ENTER                           | START BUTTON           | START/PAUSE         |
| ENTER                           | BUTTON                 | FIRE                |
| CANCEL                          | BUTTON                 | RELOAD/SKIPAN EVENT |
| N/A                             | BUTTON                 | SPEED UPAIMING      |
| N/A                             | <b>♥</b> BUTTON        | N/A                 |
| N/A                             | TRIGGER <b>I</b>       | CENTER THE TARGET   |
| N/A                             | TRIGGER R              | RELOAD              |

▲ To return to the Title Screen at any point during the game, simultaneously press and hold the �, ②, �, ❖ and the Start Buttons.

# GAME CONTROLS

▲ All the controls described in this manual are those for the DEFAULT, or initial game settings. ▲ The directions for the Analog Thumb Pad/D-Pad/Joystick are shown with these symbols

# THE ARCADE STICK (SOLDSEPARATELY)



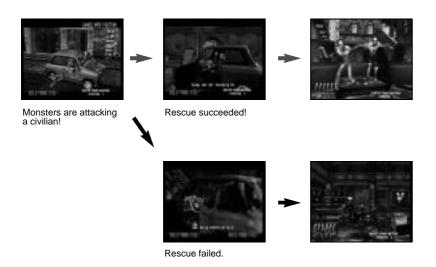
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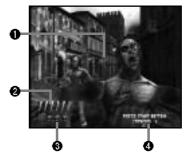
# **SUB-PLOTS**

THE GAME SCREEN

This game is unlike most games, because the path your character takes is based on his actions using "Sub-Plots." You can play again and again and discover new routes each time.

#### For Example . . .





#### O GUNSIGHT

This is shown when using the Controller or the Arcade Stick.

#### **@ REMAINING ROUNDS**

The number of bullets left in your gun. Reload before the bullets run out.

#### O LIVES

These are reduced if you are hacked at, bludgeoned, gouged, or chewed, or if you accidentally shoot one of the civilians.

## CREDITS

This shows the number of remaining continues. If you use them all, the game is over!

## **6** BOSS LIFE GAUGE

This decreases as you damage the boss. Clear the stage by reducing the gauge to zero.

#### TIME

This is displayed during BOSS MODE (See P.15).

It indicates the time taken to destroy the boss.



# **BEGINNING PLAY**

ARCADE MODE

When the Title Screen appears, press Start to display the main menu. Use ♠ to select a mode and press ♠ Start to enter. A second player can join in by pressing Start on another Controller (etc.) during game play.



## ARCADE MODE (See P.11)

The arcade version has been faithfully ported to Dreamcast.

#### BOSS MODE (See P.15)

This is a time attack mode where you can confront the bosses of every chapter. How quickly can you topple those bad guys?

#### ORIGINAL MODE (See P.12)

This is a Dreamcast ORIGINAL MODE where you can use acquired items.

### RANKINGS (See P.15)

Here you can see the top 10 ranked players for each mode.

### TRAINING MODE (See P.14)

This is a mode where you can practice the game's basic techniques.

# **OPTIONS** (See P.16)

This is where you can modify various settings of the game, such as difficulty settings, controller configurations and sound tests.

The arcade version has been faithfully ported to Dreamcast.

#### STARTING THE GAME

Select "ARCADE MODE" from the main menu and press **O**/Start. The game starts after the opening sequence.

#### CONTINUE/GAME OVER

Once your character loses his last life, the Continue Screen is displayed. Press Start before the counter reaches zero to continue. However, if you have no credits left, then the game is over!

## THE COURSE SCREEN



When the game ends, the course that you followed during the game is displayed on the Course Screen.

## NAME ENTRY

The Name Entry Screen is displayed if you clear all the chapters with your score in the top 10. Select three letters before the counter reaches zero. Use ◀ to return to the previous letter. Your name will be recorded when you select "END".

# **SCORE SCREEN/GAME CLEAR SCREEN**



▲SCORE SCREEN

When you clear a chapter, the Score Screen is displayed, and you can check the following information. Furthermore, if and when you clear all of the chapters, you will be judged on your overall performance.

**RESCUED**: The number of people you saved **SCORE**: Your current score **ACCURACY**: Your accuracy percentage



▲GAME CLEAR SCREEN

# ORIGINAL MODE

This is a Dreamcast ORIGINAL MODE where you can use acquired items.

#### ITEM SELECTION MENU (1P)

Select items that you'd like to use. You can take two items. Select items from the trunk using  $\P$ , then press extstyle ext



Once two items are in the "Take Out" window, the cursor will indicate "END". To change an item, use ♠ to select the item, then press ♠. The item will be returned to the trunk. When you are finished, select "END" and press Start.



### ITEM SELECTION MENU (2P)

When there are two players, each player can only take one item. Select items from the trunk using  $\P$ , then press  $\P$ .



Once two items are in the "Take Out" window, the cursor will indicate "END". To change an item, use \* to select the item, then press \*. The item will be returned to the trunk. When you are finished, select "END" and press Start. The window of the player who has finished will darken. The game starts when both players are finished.



#### **ITEM COMBINATIONS**

There are an enormous number of effective item combinations. There are also items that can not be combined, (in this case, "You can not make this combination" is displayed) so try as many variations as possible.

#### **ACQUIRING ITEMS**

Items are hidden in various things such as barrels and oil drums. Shoot at these things to reveal hidden items, and shoot at the items to get them. All acquired items will be stored in your trunk.



▲ Read the Items Explanation on page 18.

- ▲ In a two-player game, when one player loses, the items from the previous game will no longer be available when he or she presses Start.
- ▲ If you continue on a two-player game, you won't lose any items.
- ▲ If a second player joins the game at any time other than during the Item Selection Menu, he will have no items.

# CAUTION

Once you take an item, it disappears from the trunk — you can only use it once. Think very carefully about what to bring.

# TRAINING MODE

**BOSS MODE** 

Use this mode to improve your game skills.

#### THE TRAINING SELECTION SCREEN

Select a training session using  $\P$ . James will then explain what to do. To select a training session with multiple star marks, use  $\P$  to select a mark. Press  $\P$ /Start to begin the training.



The first time that you play the TRAINING MODE, you will only be able to select "Training 1."

## CLEARING A TRAINING SESSION/CONTINUE

"Success" will be displayed if you successfully clear a training session. Press **(A)**/Start to return to the Training Selection Menu. If you fail, the screen will change to the Continue Menu. Use **(41)** to select an item from the Continue Menu.



| AGAIN | Try again                             |  |
|-------|---------------------------------------|--|
| QUIT  | Return to the Training Selection Menu |  |

#### INCREASING STAR MARKS

Once you clear the current training session, you can advance to the next session.

INCREASING TRAINING SESSIONS

If you clear a training session or a boss, a star mark will appear at the left side of the training session indicator. Each new star indicates

increasing difficulty. Select the session with the most stars. If you clear the new session, you will receive an additional star.



This is a time attack mode where you can confront the bosses of every chapter. How quickly can you topple those bad guys?

#### **CHAPTER SELECTION MENU**

Select a boss using ♠♣. If the boss has multiple star marks, use ♠♣ to select a mark. The more star marks, the more difficult to defeat. Press ᠕/Start to begin a boss fight.

| JUDGMENT          | CHAPTER 1 BOSS |
|-------------------|----------------|
| HIEROPHANT<br>A/B | CHAPTER 2 BOSS |
| TOWER<br>A/B      | CHAPTER 3 BOSS |

| STRENGTH<br>A/B | CHAPTER 4 BOSS |
|-----------------|----------------|
| MAGICIAN        | CHAPTER 5 BOSS |

▲ The location at which the A/B bosses will appear varies according to the route that you take during Arcade or Original Modes. ▲ For an explanation of star marks, see p.14.

#### **GAME OVER**

The game ends when your character runs out of lives. You can not continue.

#### NAME ENTRY

The Name Entry Screen will be displayed if you can defeat a boss within one of the top 10 RANKINGS. Select three letters before the counter reaches zero. Press to return to the previous letter. When you are finished, select END and your name will be recorded.

# **RANKINGS**

There are top 10 ranking lists for the ARCADE, ORIGINAL, and BOSS modes. Use **To** to select a mode. Press **G**/Start to return to the Main Menu.



# **OPTIONS**

This is where you can modify various settings of the game, such as difficulty settings, controller configurations and sound tests. Use ★▼ to select an item, and ◆▼ to modify the setting.



#### **DIFFICULTY**

There are five levels of difficulty: Very Easy/Easy/Normal/Hard/Very Hard

#### LIFE

Set the number of lives that you want to start the game with. This is only for the ARCADE and BOSS MODES.

## **CONTINUE**

Change the number of credits in ARCADE MODE.

## SIGHT GRAPHIC

Change the aiming graphic shown by the Controller/Arcade Stick.

## SIGHT SPEED (See P.17)

Change the speed of the aiming graphic shown by the Controller/Arcade Stick.

## AUDIO

Change whether you want to hear the sound in Stereo or Mono.

# **SOUND EFFECTS**

Listen to the game's sound effects by pressing **a**.

# **SOUND TEST MUSIC**

Listen to the game's background music (BGM) by pressing **\Delta**.

# CONFIGURATIONS (See P.17)

Change the button settings.

## **VIBRATION**

Switch the Jump Pack ON or OFF.

#### **DEFAULT**

Return to the original default settings.

#### **EXIT**

Return to the Main Menu.

## SIGHT SPEED SCREEN

Select "Sight Speed" to display the Sight Speed Screen. Press to move the cursor to the left. This will slow down the aiming speed. Similarly, press to move the cursor to the right. This will speed up the aiming speed. You can check the new speed using the Analog Thumb Pad, D-Pad or the joystick. When you are finished, press Start to return to OPTIONS.



#### CONTROLLER CONFIGURATION SCREEN

Select "Controller Configuration" to display the Controller Configuration Screen. To change the button settings, select "EDIT." Use ★▼ to select the button that you want to change and use ◀➡ to change the setting. Select "DEFAULT" to return to the original settings. When you have finished, select "EXIT" to return to OPTIONS.



# **ITEMS**

There are various items in the ORIGINAL and ARCADE modes. Here is an introduction to some of the items



ORIGINAL

GOLD COIN
Bonus points.



ORIGINAL
GEM
Bonus points.



ORIGINAL
GOLDEN FROG
Bonus points.



FIRST AID KIT One extra life.



CHAMBER +2
Two more bullets are added to the bullet clip.





ORIGINAL
SHOTGUN
Bullets spread to hit a wider target area.



x1.2

POWER UP 1.2
The normal power of the bullets are increased by 1.2.



ICON EXPLANATION

#### ARCADE

Items that can be acquired in ARCADE MODE

ORIGINAL

Items that can be acquired in ORIGINALMODE

# **MONSTER FILE**

### **EBITAN**

Ebitan is a revolting and perpetually rotting zombie. Accordingly, his resilience is lower than other monsters. Ebitan resides in the water, suddenly leaping from the murky depths to attack his prey. His main method of attack is to bite his



## **DAVID**

David is one big zombie. He is highly adaptable, thriving in all environments. His special attack is with his teeth. Beware of David's putrid breath!



# KAGEO

Kageo is a mummified zombie, who prowls the darkest, most dreadful areas. He may look weak, but watch out for his fierce punch.



## KEN

Ken was modeled after Kageo. He wears an iron mask and is armed with vicious clawed gloves. His face is his most vulnerable part, but as it is covered, it makes Ken an extremely troublesome zombie to stop. Like Kageo, Ken also lurks in dark corners. Ken attacks with his lethal claws.





## MICKEY

Mickey is a small zombie who wields knives in both hands. His method of attack is to leap down at his target from roof tops and other high places. Even if Mickey throws both knives at you, there's no time to relax. He can produce an unlimited supply of knives from his hips.



Despite being big and fat, Bob can move fast. Bob's principal form of attack is a drop kick. He also throws barrels and oil drums.



# **RANDY**

Randy is a small, mask-wearing zombie. Don't be fooled by his lack of stature because Randy is a vicious little monster who can run along walls and ceilings as easily as on floors. Randy often roams with a friend. His preferred method of attack is a leaping death scratch.



## MAX

You'll know Max when you see him. He's the zombie crazily swinging two chainsaws about. He's also the biggest of all zombies.



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## JOHNNY

Johnny is a tough zombie to deal with. as he loves to rush at his prey hiding his vulnerable face behind two axes. When he's not descending on you with terrifying speed, he will throw his axes with lethal accuracy from a safe distance Be warned!



## GREGORY

Gregory is a bit of a show off and there is nothing he likes to do more before finishing off his victims than to flourish his giant sword. You will find it hard to aim your gun at Gregory, because he uses his sword to defend as skillfully as he does to maim.



# **PETER**

Poor Peter is infested with giant parasitic worms and is relatively weak. He puts his worms to horrifyingly effective use though, for when his chest is wounded. the parasites will leave Peter's ribcage and leap at his attacker. Peter can also pack a mean punch.



#### MURRER

Murrer is a snake-like zombie, who often infests areas in hoards. Murrer attacks by flying at his victims and gouging at their faces with his myriad teeth.



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